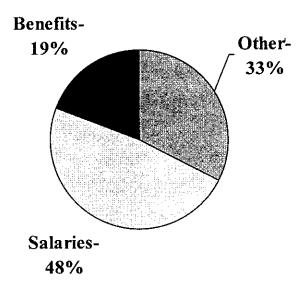


# City Employee Compensation

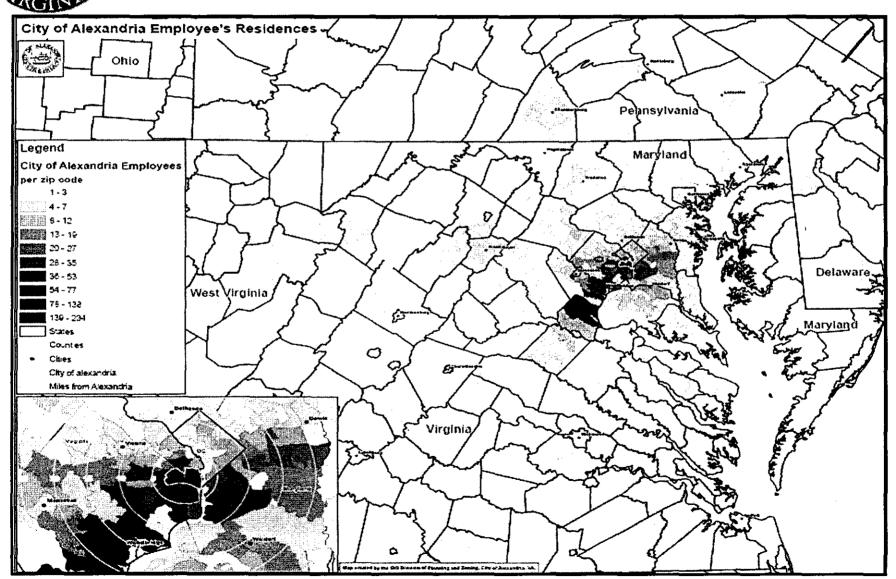
- 67% of FY 2007 City operating expenditures are for employee compensation
  - 48% salaries
  - 19% benefits

Cost of City Operations FY 2007 - \$295.3M



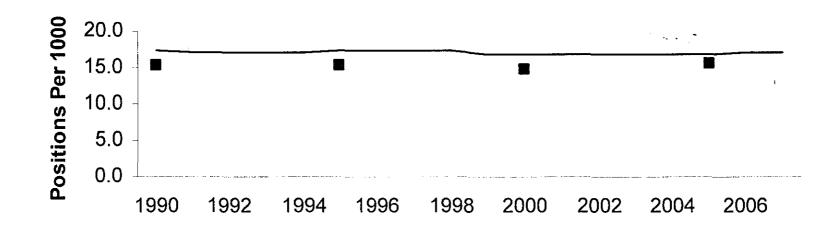


#### Where Alexandria City Employees Live by Zip Code





# Full-time City Positions per Alexandria population



#### Calendar Year

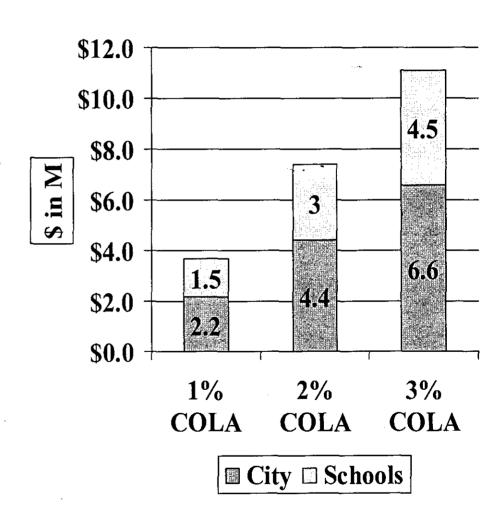
——— Positions Per 1000 Residents — Positions per 1000 Daytime Population



#### Cost of COLA

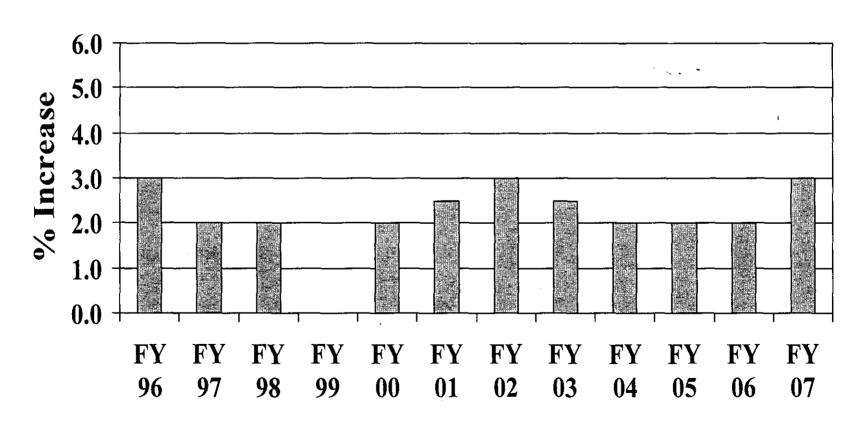
#### COLA

- CPI-U inflation at 2.8% in region (Sept. to Sept.)
- Cost of 1% COLA
  - \$2.2 M for City
  - \$1.5 M for School
  - \$3.7 M Total



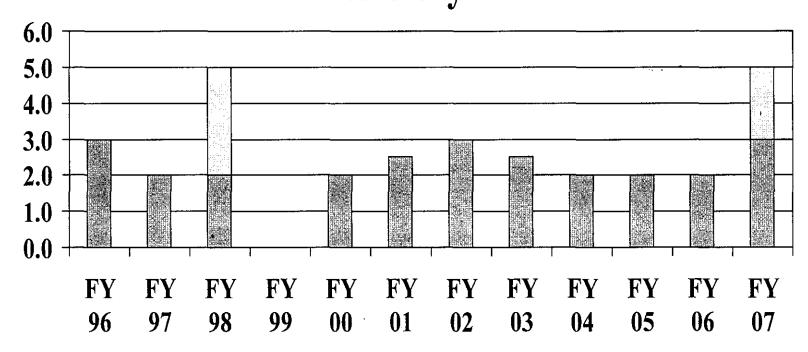


#### **COLA History**





#### COLA and Market Rate Adjustment History



FY 07 MRA did not apply to Public Safety Employees

## City Employee Compensation

- Step Increases
  - Progression through salary scale equals \$4.0 M in total in FY 2008
  - Equivalent to 1.9% increase in compensation
    on average
- Pay estimates include FY 2008 effects of FY 2007 2% market rate adjustment for General Schedule employees already implemented (\$3M in FY 2007)

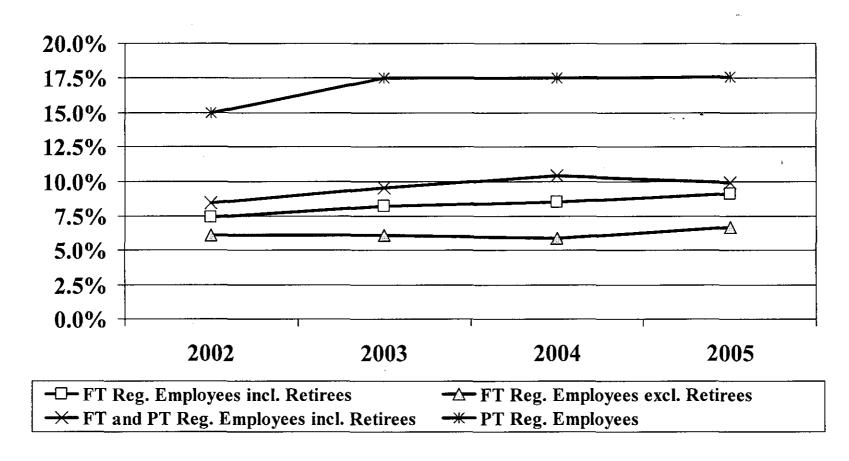


### City Employee Compensation

- Each employee/position different
  - % increase depends on step
  - Top of grade receives no increase except COLA
  - Savings included due to replacement of more senior employees by junior employees
- Public Safety Pay
  - Public Safety pay progression under study for future possible revision (FY 2008 or later)
  - \$1 M set aside in fund balance to address public safety benchmark job review results in early 2007



### History of City Staff Attrition

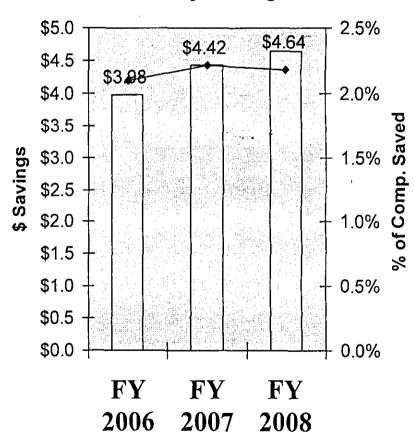




## Vacancy Savings

- Adjustments made to capture savings due to expected vacancies
- At least \$4.6 million reduction to personnel costs due to expected vacancies in FY 2008
- Equivalent to 2.2% of city-wide compensation

#### **Vacancy Savings**





## City Employee Health Benefits

- City Cost for Providing Employee Health Benefits
  - Preliminary estimate City costs will increase a net of \$0.9M or 5.3%
  - Increase in City cost limited by phase-in of employee premium cost sharing saving \$0.6 M
    - Post June 30, 2006 employees pay 10% of premiums
    - Pre June 30, 2006 employees will pay 6.6% of premiums (up from 3.3%)
    - Also, more precise estimate of cost for expected new hires (90% of average premium cost) and part-timers (50% of average premium cost)



## City Employee Health Benefits

- Preliminary estimate assumes increases in premiums could be as high as 13% to 17%
  - Assuming there is no change in plan design
  - Based on industry trends and specific claims
    data for City employees as of this fall
  - Preliminary estimate is conservative
  - The estimated rate of increase in premiums could be lower than shown above



## City Employee Retirement

#### • Retirement

- No increase in % charged by VRS to City for basic or supplemental retirement benefits
- Increase in retirement costs captured in cost of COLA and pay step increases provided above
- Savings in closed 1970s police/fire defined benefit plan of \$0.5 M due to change in actuarial assumptions